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Next Delegates Meeting

Wednesday
April 5th, 2017

at
7.30pm

Walkerville RSL Hall
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All Welcome!
LIGHT REFRESHMENTS WILL BE AVAILABLE BEFORE THE MEETING

Following Meeting
7 June,2017

Celebrating 41 Years of Service to Caravanning in South Australia

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PRESIDENT'S CHATTER

CARAVAN AND CAMPING SHOW

At the Caravan and Camping Show 2017 ,the Association staffed the site for the complete 4 days with a total of 35 members rostered to cover the period of the show.
One of the major changes noticed was that potential new members were reluctant to complete the follow up enquiry form but preferred to follow up via the Internet. So from this point of view it is difficult to determine at this time how successful the Show was in recruiting new members.
There were a number of follow up enquiries completed and they have been distributed to the Clubs participating. I am still waiting feedback from the Clubs as to whether there were any positive responses.
One major lesson learnt is the effectiveness of a Webb page and if Clubs do not have one consideration should be given to set one up as soon as possible to attract new members.
I would like to thank all those that assisted in making our attendance at the Caravans and Camping show possible (see photo on page 6).

Safe Travelling,
Graham Brown
President, ACCSA

FROM THE EDITOR:

Emergency Medical Information Booklet.

You should all have your Emergency Medical Information Booklet by now - if not ask your club Secretary. Keep the info up-to-date and in a safe place in the van. It is recommended that it be placed in a Ziploc bag and kept in the freezer in the caravan.

Caravanning News website.

If you haven't found it yet, the Caravanning News website has some very good information and links to lots of interesting caravanning related sites. Check it out at: http://www.caravanningnews.com

Temporary Van Storage Facility in Melbourne.

See the flyer on page 8 for details of a new temporayry storage facility near Melbourne CBD. Handy for anyone travelling to Tassie.

NOTE: PLEASE SUBMIT CLUB REPORTS FOR THE MAY JOURNAL **BEFORE** 22nd MAY.

SOUTHERN CROSS CARAVAN CLUB INC

February Rally *at* ***Normanville Caravan Park***	11 Vans, for 10 nights Total spend $3426 Estimated

Most of our members arrived on the Thursday driving in oppressive heat of 42 degrees but on reaching Normanville, the temperature had dropped to 26 degrees. There was a strong wind blowing and so awnings were securely tucked away for that day and in fact most of our stay. On Friday afternoon we had our Committee meeting outside under a shady tree and then later we ventured to the Yankalilla Hotel for a lovely meal.

Saturday was free to explore the area but most of us ended up at the Yankalilla Bakery. In the afternoon we prepared rissoles to go with stacks of sausages for a BBQ. At 4 pm we held an auction of pre loved items which our members brought along. It was held in the spacious camp kitchen. There was such a huge array of items that we invited the members of the Sundowners Caravan Club to help us out. They were a lovely group of people and were quite active bidders. In all, our club raised about $250 which helped to cover repairs to our Gazebos from the storm at last years November Rally.
There followed our BBQ tea accompanied with very nice salads and desserts which our members catered.
Sunday was free to explore the area again or hit the beach as the strong winds had finally calmed down. Later our rally officers collected a huge order from the local fish and chip shop for our community tea.
Unfortunately one of our ladies came to grief when a plastic chair in the camp kitchen cracked and collapsed. Luckily, it resulted in only bruising and a head ache. Management were immediately advised and attended.
This is the second time that one of our members have had plastic chairs collapse at a Caravan Park. Please do not trust any plastic chair as the UV sun light makes them brittle, especially if they have been stacked or placed near a window.

March Rally *at* ***Burra Caravan Park***	9 Vans, 1 Cabin. 4 nights Site Fees: $30 Total spend $2700 Estimated

Weather wise, it was hot during the day but cool nights for sleeping. There was plenty of shade in the afternoon for happy hours on the thick green lawns.
The Park Managers made us feel welcome and were very obliging and the condition of the park, ablutions and kitchen were of high standard.

All but 1 van had arrived by Thursday afternoon and so after happy hour it was decided to have a meal at the Royal Exchange Hotel. We were lucky enough to strike Schnitzel Night and were amazed at the size of the serves. There was a very nice smorgasbord as well. If anyone went back to their vans hungry, then it was their own fault. On Friday, most explored the local area and hit the coffee shops and also the Op shops to buy anything Australiana as that was the theme of the Rally. Friday night the local Men's Shed members came to the Camp Kitchen and put on a nice BBQ of sausages and patties and salads for us to raise $200 for the local hospital. Saturday was mostly free, however some did dust off our disc bowl set and had a few games. Happy hour was at 4pm and then we had a communal tea in the camp kitchen. The Rally Officers then started the night off with an Australiana Quiz followed by games such as Throw the Thong, Toss the Horse Shoe, Sit on a chair (which had a child's toilet training seat on it which was a tad uncomfortable for the blokes) and play a bath room golf game. We then played a Two Up Game where everyone stood up and either put two hands on their head for 2 heads, or two hands on their backsides for 2 tails or one hand on the head and one hand on the backside for 1 head or 1 tail spin. Hilarious and good fun. Winners of all the games chose a prise. We then had a very nice supper. Sunday morning the rally officers put on a pancake breakfast.
A wonderful rally, enjoyed by all a nice location and excellent weather.

Next Rally: Mannum 7th-9th of April.

SUPPORT THE STATE RALLY AND SUPPORT THE RIVERLAND

The number of Registrations for the State Rally are not as many as anticipated at this time. We ask you all to promote this amongst your Club and support ACCSA. There has been considerable work undertaken by the Planning Committee and we need your attendance to make this a great event.
The following is a summary of the activities planned for the Rally;

- Portable Scale will be available to those that wish to check on the overall weight of their van.
- St John Ambulance will given a presentation on the services they provided.
- S.A. Police will give a segment on Road Safety relevant to caravanners.
- On the Thursday there will be a community meal and members provide their own meat and we ask those participating to provide a salad or sweet to be shared amongst those attending. Further advice will be provided as to whether you bring a salad or sweet so that we have a balance of both.
- There will be a raffle and Clubs that wish to donated a basket to the value of up to $50.00 will be most welcomed.
- The Wine and Cheese tasting at the Caravan Park on Friday night.
- Saturday Night Roast with local entertainment
- Visits to the Historical sites at Loxton
- Lawn and Disc bowls
- A film night at the Park
- Rin Klassen, Secretary of the National Association of Caravan Clubs will be in attendance and will address the Rally on the latest from the National Scene
- Free sausage sizzle on Sunday.

It is important that we have an indication on the number attending as soon as possible because we need to advise the Caravan Park and the Caterers the number of people we are expecting for the weekend.

HELP US HELP THE RIVERLAND

22nd NACC NATIONAL RALLY
will be held at the Nuriootpa Caravan Park
May, 2022 (Final Dates to be determined)

22nd National Rally Planning Committee will meet at Walkerville RSL Hall on
22nd March, 24th May, 26th July, 27th September and 22nd November 2017.
For further information, or to put forward your ideas or suggestions for the Rally, please contact either Graham Brown, ACCSA President or Frank Gratton, ACCSA Treasurer.

The Association of Caravan Clubs, SA has, as it's **Mission;**
"to promote caravan clubs to the general public, represent caravan clubs at a public and industry level and assist all members to safely enjoy the caravan and camping lifestyle."

WANDERERS CARAVAN CLUB of SA Inc

February Rally at ***McLaren Vale Caravan Park***	18 Vans, $33 per night Approx spend in the area: $3400

(Edited from Newsletter)
McLaren Vale - What a lovely town and the Caravan Park is really great, the grassed sites were a welcome change and the amenities were top notch. We are first time visitors here and we'll certainly come again.
We arrived on Thursday, the weather was good and no one had any hiccups on the way there.
Quite a few members were already there and set up. Fortunately, we were next door to Fred and Vivian who kindly helped us with our satellite dish. If Bill had carried on himself we would have been in touch with Mars.
Friday morning, was another good day weather-wise. It was pleasing to see Dianne and Barry who came to visit. That evening, some of the members played barefoot bowls at the Bowling Club, there was quite a bit of confusion at the start until the few experienced players explained that playing on half a rink was never going to work. Later we went in for dinner, which wasn't too bad once it arrived, the chef was rushed off his feet and in the rush missed a few orders. Club members cleaned up the raffle with 8 prizes being won between Jacqui, Cathy, Barry, Fred and Keith – well done guys! Bill was a bit cranky because I didn't have my magic wand with me.
Saturday morning, some of us went to the Farmers Market at Willunga and others went looking for a coffee shop. In the afternoon, Chris and Drew gave a very informative talk and lesson on how to use the club's new defibrillator. Well done to Chris and Drew.
The club raffle was won by John E and we were told it (the raffle) brought in a tidy little sum. Sunday morning, we all gathered at Keith and Jenifer's van for coffee and cake to farewell the members who were leaving that day. And then the rain came. But this did not spoil the weekend, as a great time was had by all.

March Rally at Avoca Dell Caravan Park	21 Vans, 1 Visitor. $29 per night Approx spend in the area: $4300

Avoca Dell Caravan Park, on the banks of the Murray River, near Murray Bridge, was the venue for the Wanderers March Rally. Avoca Dell park is on several levels, from the lower level 'River View' up to the fourth level, that we referred to as 'Avoca Heights'.
We all gathered for the Friday night meal at the Community Club on the banks of the river in Murray Bridge township, where a good menu and good company resulted in a very happy crowd.
One of the features of the park is the proximity to the Murray River and there are several walking trails, starting from near the Caravan Park, through the wetlands and along the river bank, generally 45-60 minutes duration. On the Saturday and the Sunday mornings, quite a few of the Wanderers headed off to explore them, some dodging the odd snake along the way, but all marvelling at the bird-life and the apparent health of the river.
Our theme for the weekend was 'The Adelaide Cup', so there was a horse-shoe tossing competition on the Saturday afternoon and, in the evening, the running of the 'Wanderers Cup', complete with Dodgy Bob the Bookie and his scribbler taking 5c bets. Ladies wore their best race-going millinery finery and the gents wore their best 'weird' ties for the occasion. Lots of fun and frivolity, followed by the Clubs 41st Birthday Celebrations, with birthday cake and tea and coffee.
The park amenities are quite good, although the rec room can be quite noisy when a group gathers for some fun. Another of the park features is the mini-golf course, where a twilight competition was held, and that proved to be the downfall (or should that be the fall-down?) for one member who came a cropper on the 13th hole. Our two visitors thoroughly enjoyed their visit and will be back for the next rally.By Monday morning, most were packing to go home, with a few doing final preparations for the Linga-Longa rally to the Victorian and NSW high country.

Next Rally: Linga-Longa to Vic/NSW High country, April: Berri CP.

JAYCO JAYBIRDS SA

February Rally at ***Milang Caravan Park***	12 Vans

Well our weekend at Milang was fantastic.
There were 12 vans in all. On the Friday night after happy hour we all walked over to the bowls club where there was a tea "Special" on Hamburgers or steak sandwich and dessert all for $7.50. We were made very welcome and everyone was friendly. We all bought raffle tickets for a meat tray and other prizes. Sandra struck lucky and won the meat tray. Sandra & I had been jokingly saying one of us was going to win .
Well lucky Sandra. (not what I said on the night!!!) Sandra was lucky enough to have another one of her numbers called out but alas as she ran up for her prize it turned out to be the wrong number. You win some you lose some!! I know I found that hysterically funny Sandra but I luvs you really. Peter won a bottle of wine.
The caravan park provided the club with a large gazebo which came in really handy.
On Saturday people went off on various excursions. Langhorne Creek and a food & wine festival. Anne & Don even managed to pick up a crocodile pate!! Saturday night the club provided the meat for a BBQ tea. Members provided lots of lovely salads. Thanks to Tom & Pete for cooking and a special thanks to Anne H for the wonderful mini sticky date puddings.
The weather was mainly warm and sunny but a bit of rain came on Saturday night, but with the outside camp kitchen Page 2 and gazebo we didn't have any problems .
One new couple Joan & Brian came to see what our club was all about so we hope they enjoyed themselves enough to join.
Sunday morning everyone said their goodbyes amidst showers of rain. Another successful weekend.

March Rally at ***North Beach Caravan Park, Wallaroo***	

Another successful weekend was shared by all at Wallaroo van park. Walks on the beach were enjoyed by all including Molly and Alison's 3 dogs. I'm going to hide the ball next time.(lol)
Friday night found a few night owls climbing into bed at 3am. but we won't mention any names. Problems of the world were solved. Saturday night dinner was at the hotel, Thank you to Peter and Pauline suggesting this venue. Our prawns rated 10/10. A big highlight for Phil was the fish that he caught, but we won't mention that it only fitted onto a Jatz biscuit. Hal went to sleep in his chair and woke up just in time before he was given a new set of eyebrows but once again no names mentioned. The sun shone and laughter reigned. Sadly most left Monday, leaving only Alison and Keith to enjoy another day.
Oh we can't forget the crabs the men caught and Peter cooked for us. Sadly only four, so more Jatz biscuits, but yummy.

Next Rallies: MARCH 17-19th PUNYELROO (Swan Reach),(Second March Rally); APRIL 7-9th LAURA

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ELIZABETHAN CARAVAN CLUB INC

January Rally

BBQ at ***Carrisbrook Reserve***

Hey everyone, what a great day we had for the bbq; weather was fantastic not over hot food was fabulous and the people were friendly.
Thanks to everyone that turned up early to help with setting up (many hands make light work).
As everyone arrived they greeted others & set themselves up with chairs, table, esky etc and mingled with each other. Lots of chatter and laughter going on amongst everyone. What a wonderful atmosphere, great to see nearly the whole club turn out.
Finally the bbq was lit and snags, onions, chicken kebabs & hamburgers were cooking away with Chicken wingettes keeping warm. Barry, Frank & Norm kept an eye on the bbq, cooking the meat to perfection. The table was being set up with bread & sauces, salads - potato, pasta, coleslaw & tossed salad. Next thing we hear Barry calling "come and get it" didn't take long before people lined up with plates out ready to load up with all the wonderful food some even went back for seconds, nobody went hungry it was a great spread.
After everyone had finished eating Barry called for everyone's attention as we held a quick meeting to ratify the new entry of 'Associate member' & changing 'AGM year to January – December' in the constitution. The changes were passed with all agreeing and the meeting was then closed.
Most stayed chatting & mingling for a while after the meeting. The park was pretty full with lots of other groups also enjoying the beautiful weather. A group playing cricket right alongside us just happened to be batting in our direction, hit a ball and smacked it right into the back of Gay's head, OUCH!! Not happy Jan!!!! After a few words traded places from both parties, the other group stopped playing.
As the afternoon moved along so did some of the people saying goodbye and leaving. It was now getting late into the arvo so those that were still there started to pack up the food, bbq's, tables, chairs etc. The marquees were the last things to fold up, again with everyone lending a hand. Once everything was packed up, loaded into cars & on trailers we said our goodbyes and everyone headed off home. A great afternoon of fun and fellowship was enjoyed by all.
A big thankyou to:
Frank for the use of the Lions Club Marquee & BBQ's; Dee & Andy for the salads; Kaye & Jim for the use of their marquee and anybody else that supplied tables, marquee's etc for us to use. Thanks also to those that helped to set up marquee's, pack up & carry stuff between the cars & bbq site.

Next Rally: February @ Adare Caravan Park - Victor Harbor

Marie Williamson enjoys a spell during a quiet moment on the ACCSA Stand at the recent Caravan and Camping Show.

DAVE BENSON CARAVAN CLUB INC

November Rally at ***Wallaroo North Beach Caravan Park***	9 Vans. Total spend approx $2800

Good start to the week, with 4 nice hot days turning cool and windy for the last 3. Saturday we found out there were dragon boat racing in the marina. This was from competitors also staying in the park. So most of us went to watch at some time during the day. It was only a short walk from the park. A bit of fishing done on the breakwater later in the day, but no luck. Sunday brunch in the open-ended camp kitchen along with the flies. We only used this one once and then used the other enclosed camp kitchen for the rest of the week. Two of our members live in Wallaroo and came to visit. We were invited to a church concert in town. So at 2 o'clock, 11 of us went to St. Marys Anglican Church, to hear, The Strickland Road Band. It was hot in the church and the band heated it up even more with their music from the 60s, 70s, and 80s. They were so good. $10 each for one of the Anglican Church charities. By the time we got back it was happy hour. A very enjoyable afternoon for all those who attended. A bit of fishing done in the evening at the jetty, only a few caught. Tuesday saw most of us visit the museum in Wallaroo at some time during the day. Spent a good 2 hours looking at all the exhibits. Very well set up with a good variety of subjects on display. Fishing on the jerry at night for a few of us. Only a couple caught again, very quite. Most of us took a trip to Moonta at some time during the week. Thursday we had lunch at the Angler's Inn in town. Lunch special $12 for all items on the menu plus 10% discount for us seniors. Very good meal with plenty on the plate. We do hunt out some good deals on our rallies. Friday time to head home. Very nice park, we had the use of 4 ensuite toilets as the main men's section was being rebuilt. That was very convenient for us. A good week, shame about the lack of fish again. Hope for better luck next time.

February Rally at ***Point Turton Caravan Park***	5 Vans. $30 per night

This was during the very hot weather in Adelaide, lots of wind at Turton but certainly cooler than the city. A meal in the tavern and a visit to Minlaton. Fishing for the hopeless came to zero but one of our members who went out on the jetty at 2am got very good catches.

Next Rally: February - Beachport Caravan Park

FRIENDS & FAMILY CARVANNING AND CAMPING CLUB

January Rally at ***Lake Bonney Caravan Park***	16 Vans (29 Adults and 18 Children)

Australia Day weekend this year was spent at Lake Bonney. For the lucky ones it started on Wednesday. And for those of us like Ern it probably started earlier than that (and finished much later too).

Thursday morning we awoke to a glorious Australia Day. Families celebrated in their own ways. Stick-on Australian tattoos were worn proudly by children. Swimming at the pool or lake was highly enjoyed by kids, adults and even the dogs got in on the action. Ice-creams were eaten when the magical sound of the Mr Super Soft truck was heard (Vern pushing every child out of the way to get his first). Laughs were had organising water balloons. For some reason Grant just couldn't stop making those 'inappropriate' shaped balloons. Lucky enough water was spilt to hide the fact that Jenny was wetting her pants in laughter. The Club then came together in the afternoon to participate in the Australia Day Games. Cheezels and lamingtons were precariously passed up and down lines. Australia's were nibbled out of milk arrowroot biscuits. (Cont p. 9)

FOR SALE

Brake bits

Rob Ackland has a set of as new 10" ALKO electric drum brakes for sale. They are in new condition.

By way of explanation they were incorrectly fitted to his off road camper last year and removed by their excellent service agent once the issue was discovered.
The set is a complete pair of backing plates, new brake magnets and drum brakes.
If you are interested, please call:

Rob & Pauline Ackland
Mobile: 0410567160

FOR SALE

Caravan Accessories

The following list of items for sale from a close friend who had to sell their brand new van due to ill health. They had only been away in the van for a total of 10 days. Some items never used, still in packaging others only used once.

1. Coast to Coast multipurpose floor matting 250cmX600cm	$85.00
2. Coast to Coast sunscreen end wall	$65.00
3. Coast to Coast sunscreen side wall 524.5cmX180cm	$85.00
4. Hot Water tank anode	$15.00
5. 30 metre 15amp power cord	$15.00
6. Road side safety triangles	$25.00
7. Dual cartridge water filter w/- fittings	$100.00
8. 3 step levelling ramps and chocks	$45.00
9. Satellite dish with Sat King digital receiver, cover, signal finder & leads (never used)	$450.00
10. 12 volt fan with batteries	$25.00
11. Electric fan heater	$15.00
12. Collapsable rotary clothes line	$20.00
13. Safe-T-Tyre temperature and pressure monitoring system	$295.00
14. Trail-Mate hydraulic jack and cover	$260.00
15. Milenco towing mirrors	$95.00
16. Towing mirrors	$35.00
17. Caravan washing equipment (extendable poles, bushes etc)	$50.00
18. Short handle shovel and fork	$15.00

Items are for sale after friend had set up new van and now has to sell due to health

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(Friends and Family C&CC, cont from P. 7)
In a rather disgusting fashion Cheezels were stuffed into mouths, Luke having the most epic dribble of the weekend. Thongs were flung with Maddy putting everybody to shame with her throwing abilities (go girl power). In typical fashion, the Australia Day games ended with a free for all water balloon fight, but since when has a broken leg been a good enough excuse to get out of a water balloon fight or did it just make him an easy target for those brave enough to aim their balloons his way, hey Mark?

Friday involved exploring the Riverland. Club members went off in groups enjoying the sights and tastes the Riverland had to offer. Destinations included Monash Playground, Almond Hut and Wineries. However the highlight destination of the road trip was The Woolshed Brewery where 'no great story started with someone eating a salad'. Beverages were consumed and stories were shared. Too many 'Hard Lemonades' may have been enjoyed by some members, isn't that right Sarah...
Saturday was spent in and around the caravan park. A sausage sizzle was highly enjoyed by all and once again, ice-creams were eaten when the magical sound of the Mr Super Soft truck was heard. The hot weather was overcome by spending the day submerged in either the pool or lake. New activities were participated in. Sue R and Stu M were brave enough to have a go at parasailing. And did I hear Stu had a 'loss of shorts situation'. The evening involved a ride on the Cobdogla Irrigation Museum truck and enjoying the slip 'n slide set up by the Fire Brigade.
The day eventually had to arrive where the weekend is ending, the sites are packed away, goodbyes are said and memories of a wonderful weekend are taken home with us, along with some sunburn in many club members cases. From all accounts by members, especially from what was shared on Facebook, Lake Bonney was a fun weekend enjoyed by all. Thank you to everyone who made it the weekend it was.

Next Rally: To be advised

Jayco Caravan Club of SA

March Rally: at ***Mannum Caravan Park***	22 Vans

22 Jayco caravans travelled to Mannum for the long weekend with stays from 3 nights to over a week.
One couple showed off their new Silverline van and on Friday night we celebrated this member's 70th birthday. There were four other members who either had their new vans or had ordered one at the last Caravan show.
The wild life at the park was entertaining and any food left out was fair game to them. The water hens were seen to steal a packed of chips and a piece of toast and then they would run to the water's edge and not share with the other birds. Quite a few members had to wash down their vehicles or vans after the birds had roosted in the trees overhead.
Excitement for Jayco members on a River Boat cruise" - It didn't make the local papers, but several of our members were on board the PS MARION and whilst making a turn in the river, the vessel lost steerage and crashed into the river bank. Luckily there were no injuries to either passengers, crew or boat but a pelican nest in the willows, was destroyed.

Saturday night dinner was a combination of food and drinks supplied and enjoyed by all members. Sunday most of the members visited the reserve in Mannum where the Mannum Hot Rod Show displayed many beautifully detailed vehicles and a live band belted out many great numbers. A great show indeed and all members had a great time.

About five couples also extended their holiday by travelling to Blanchetown Caravan Park and visited nearby towns. The river towns certainly have lots to offer visitors.

Next Rally: To be advised

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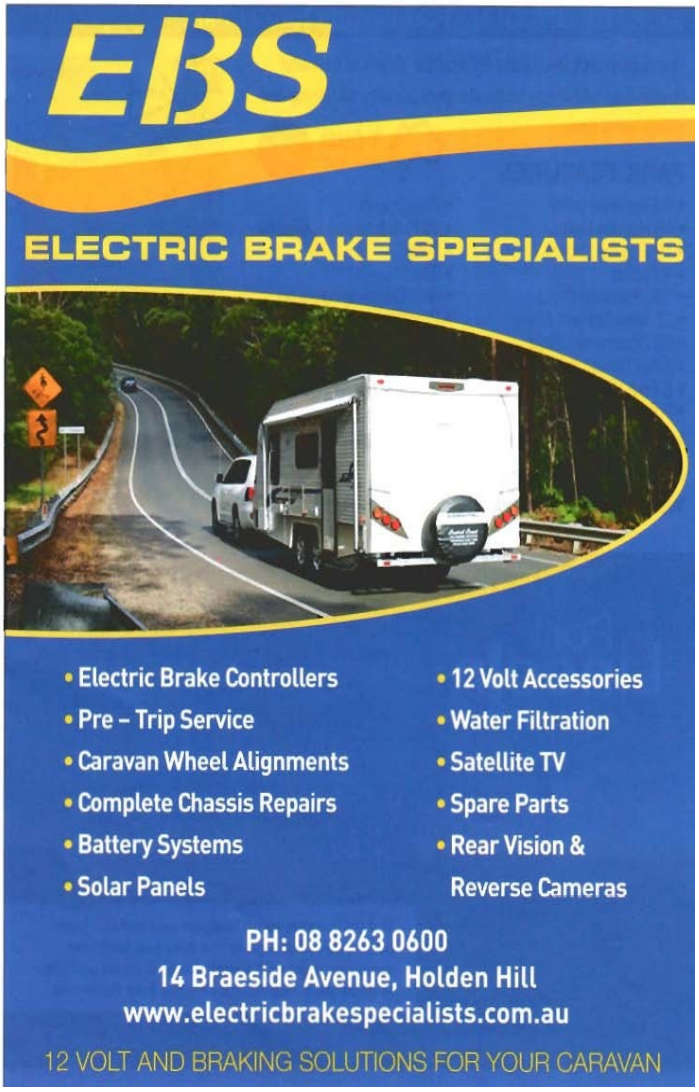

SOUTHERN NOMADS CARAVAN CLUB SA Inc

January Rally at ***Tanunda Caravan &Tourist Park***	8 Vans @ $39.60 per night. Total Park fees $950.40

Members arrived on various days and we soon had a full compliment, and a great little camping area. It was decided that as we had arrived later on Australia Day to have a communal tea, so everyone hiked out their tables and chairs and we got stuck into it. The tea stretched out into the evening with most of us just having a good old natter.
Friday we all met again for breakfast and this time the talk continued, most of us stayed to meet some prospective members, they didn't turn up, but the group stayed and kept talking, reading or just taking the sun. Some wandered off to do a bit of shopping, but the group continued all day, so from 8:30 am to 9.30 pm there was always members in the talk group.
During the day Christina, Margie L and Lesley went for a walk and finished up at Maslins Beach, they enjoyed it so much Christine and Margie went back the next day, with Christina applying lotion to some fortunate guy.
On Friday night the park management put on a band which had quite an extended repertoire. Some of the audience got up to dance, when they couldn't do the Twist, Lesley and Margarete showed them how. The music ran over time, so some of the guys got dragged in for the last dance.
Saturday was HOT, although most members still gathered for breakfast. We ourselves went off to the Op Shop and then down to Aldinga Beach for a walk. The scouts there were taking the fee for vehicles to go on the beach, which I disagree with but the (Cont p. 11)

Southern Nomads Caravan Club (Cont from p 10) funds goes to the community so one offsets the other. Dodging cars we had a nice walk until it got too hot, we then returned back to the park. Our chairs were still in the circle but gradually were moved around so we could all get some shade. During the day Lesley's daughters and Grand Daughter came to visit as did the Brammer's who stayed for some time, very nice to see our visitors.
Our evening meal was a self cook although some ordered from the kiosk, (quite a good meal). Later in the evening there was a movie for the Kids so of course we went along (just so Bailey could watch, which he did).
Sunday we had our wrap up, with Danny getting the button for various comments he had made and was going to make. Christina got the Frog for her suntan incident on Maslin's. We were all reminded of our meeting to select 2018's rally sites, the meeting then broke up and we all started to pack and make our way home. A great weekend with great company.

February Rally at ***Pt Wakefield Caravan Park***	7 Vans @ $25.00 per night. Total Park fees $350

Friday: The Sayners were the first to arrive, coming from Port Pirie. Everyone else wandered in during the afternoon, including Coralie & Keith who came to join us for the weekend. Unfortunately, Robert & Margaret had problems with their car while on the way and had to turn back home and have the car towed to the Nissan dealer. The "Happy Hour" was its usual happy and noisy affair after which all retired to their vans for the evening.
Saturday: The morning started cool and cloudy but improved as the day progressed. We had our usual meeting chaired by Phil. Richard gave a report from Robert in regard to the Caravan & Camping Show. Robert said that there was quite a bit of interest shown and he and Margaret gave out all the pamphlets re Southern Nomads. Robert reported that he thought that a couple seemed genuinely interested and he would follow them up. All members, except for Richard & Chris who went to visit their daughter at their egg farm, went to the "Rising Sun Hotel" for lunch. The meal was absolutely beautiful and the servings were huge. The Ollins returned by "Happy Hour" bearing eggs for all who ordered them. In the evening the Ollins, Brammers and Sayners watched "Death in Paradise" and "Call the Midwives" in the rec. room.
Sunday: With a late check out, packing was leisurely. Richard & Chris left early because Richard received a call regarding work. The rally ended with morning tea. The awards were sorted with Chris getting the "button" although no one could remember what she said that got her the award. Vern was given "The frog" for trying to put a "male" plug into a "male' socket. A good weekend for all attended.

March Rally at ***Burra Caravan Park***	4 Vans @ $30.00 per night. 2 Cabins Total Park fees $360

Christina & Richard were the first to arrive at the caravan park, the weather was very hot.
As we were setting up Ruth & Vern arrived followed by Ian & Pat with their new caravan.
Margarete & Jack arrived later. Once we were all set up we all turned on our air conditioners.
Maria & Colin and Leslie booked into two of the Paxton cottages for the weekend.
At happy hour on Friday it was decided to meet Saturday morning to discuss what we are going to do over the weekend. So after a very hot night we went to the tourist information centre to organize keys and maps of places to visit on Saturday and Sunday.
Saturday night we had tea at the Burra Hotel which everybody enjoyed followed by games of Rummikub at Leslies' cottage.
On Sunday we woke to a cool morning with light showers, we finished touring around the towns' historic buildings and sites.
At happy hour Maria & Colin invited us to their cabin after tea to play Yahtzee. The ladies played Yahtzee in the kitchen while the men watched TV in the lounge.
On Monday we woke to light rain and afterwards the sun came out. Everybody started to pack up for our trip home. An enjoyable time was had by all.

Next Rallies: April - Strathalbyn (Easter); May - Balaklava.

BAROSSA CARAVAN AND CAMPING CLUB

February Rally
at ***Port Rickaby Caravan Park***

13 Vans, $25 per night
Approx spend in the area: $2700

13 vans attended the rally, with other members visiting over the weekend. At our General Meeting, Elaine and Kevin Dempsey were welcomed into the club.
The park has older toilet amenities, and a relatively new camp kitchen with large screen television cooking facilities and ceiling fans with a lawned area on the side to play games.
Management supplied trays of warm snacks dim sims, spring rolls, etc for each of our happy hours.
Members supported the Parks Café by buying tea on the Saturday night, a good variety of food.
The park is clean and tidy, plenty of lawn area, with park host being client orientated.

March Rally
at ***Moonta Bay Caravan Park***

15 vans attended the rally, Members ventured to Moonta mines and boarded Ryan's Express train for an informative and interesting trip around the mines and the Moonta Mines Museum.
Saturday night tea was at the Moonta Royal Hotel, the choices and prices were very good with excellent food and service.
The Park Management were very good the amenities where we were camped were too small for the number, the camp kitchen was large with all facilities, the park needs work.

Next Rallies: April: Moorook, May: State Rally Loxton

CARAVAN CLUB OF SOUTH AUSTRALIA

January Rally
at ***Hahndorf Caravan Park***

6 Vans, $33 per night (+4th free)
Approx spend in the area: $3400

A couple of members vans were already set up when we arrived but by the end of the day all members vans (6) had arrived. Gary and Norma had a slight mishap with their van's awning on the way over so looks like a repair job coming up, we hope it will be fixed in time for the next long weekend Rally.
We celebrated Australia Day in style with a cooked breakfast on our BBQ's as the Camp Kitchen was being utilised by the Park Manager as a Pancake breakfast was also being provided. At happy hour that day members indulged with the Australian favourites of Lamingtons and Fruchocs.
There was so many things we could all do either in the township or surrounds. We toured Hahndorf on our first day but it was so busy it was so hard to find parking. Then it was a trip to Mt Barker for some more spending in the shops some went to the pictures also over the weekend.
Saturday saw members try their hand at making ice cream in a bag, some were successful others not so.
Of course in between organized activities there was the pool, jumping pillow and for us older members the Mini Golf or giant Chess game. Quite a few got a hole in one but over all it was great fun.
Saturday saw some members go to the "Old Mill" for a evening meal.
Sunday was pack up day and our farewells.

February Rally
at ***Wellington Caravan Park***

Our February rally was small but relaxing although the hundreds of white cockatoos certainly made their presence known. Diane and Doug took the scenic route and arrived an hour after Mary and Bob. The park is small but clean and tidy and close to the river. We settled in then went for a stroll to the hotel, had a game of snooker then wandered around the town.
Saturday dawned cool but dry so we all went to Murray Bridge and supported several shops. Back to the vans for happy hour and to relax until time to go to the Wellington Hotel for dinner where Diane really enjoyed her dessert. We couldn't watch the ferry and not have a ride, so Bob stayed on land while we had a quick return trip. More rain Saturday night but a dry and safe trip home Sunday.
All in all, we enjoyed our stay.

Next Rallies: To be advised

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